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***SENATE
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
No. 585***

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Liz Welch

Secretary

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 585

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MISSISSIPPI GAMING COMMISSION LARRY GREGORY FOR HIS APPOINTMENT TO REPRESENT MISSISSIPPI ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN GAMING ASSOCIATION (AGA).

WHEREAS, Larry Gregory helped lead South Mississippi's casinos back from the destruction of Hurricane Katrina as Executive Director of the Mississippi Gaming Commission and now he will represent Mississippi on the Board of Directors of the American Gaming Association (AGA) as it grapples with illegal gambling, fantasy sports betting and other issues; and

WHEREAS, Larry Gregory will bring a Mississippi perspective to the issues in the casino industry. He started in the industry in 1996 and since his retirement from the Gaming Commission, he has served as Executive Director of the Mississippi Gaming and Hospitality Association; and

WHEREAS, Allen Godfrey, current Executive Director of the Gaming Commission, stated, "I think it says a lot for the State of

Mississippi for this appointment on the board, as a quality representative for our state"; and

WHEREAS, the American Gaming Association (AGA) is the premier national trade group representing the \$240 Billion U.S. casino industry, which supports 1.7 million jobs in 40 states. AGA members include commercial and tribal casino operators, suppliers and other entities affiliated with the gaming industry. It is the mission of the AGA to be the single most effective champion of the industry, relentlessly protecting against harmful and often misinformed public policies, and paving a path for growth, innovation and reinvestment; and

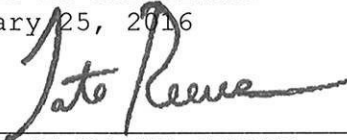
WHEREAS, Larry's effort will include robust research, aggressive communications and partnerships with a variety of voices, including gaming leaders, law enforcement officials, regulators, legislators and professional sports leagues; and it is with great pride that we commend the professional contributions of this Mississippi citizen who has brought honor to our state through this association:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby recognize former Executive Director of the Mississippi Gaming Commission Larry Gregory for his appointment to represent Mississippi on the Board of Directors of the American Gaming Association (AGA), and extend the best wishes of the

Legislature to this industry as it paves a path for growth, innovation and reinvestment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Larry Gregory, forwarded to the Board of Directors of the AGA and the Mississippi Gaming Commission, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
February 25, 2016



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 3, 2016



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES